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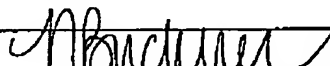
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2005, please amend the
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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins
on page 7 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract are shown on page 12 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.